

**Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development
Office of the Workforce Investment Council**

NOTICE OF FUNDS AVAILABILITY

DC Workforce Intermediary – Hospitality Job Placement Partner

The DC Workforce Investment Council (WIC) is soliciting applications for a renewable grant to provide job placement and related services leading to direct employment in the hospitality industry for eligible District residents.

The “Job Placement Partner” (JPP) receiving a grant under this Request for Applications (RFA) will be responsible for placing not less than 200 District jobseekers into living wage jobs at hotels, convention centers, eating/drinking establishments, or similar businesses. The JPP will work closely with participating employers to identify minimum employment standards and provide job development services to ensure that candidate referrals are carefully matched to the needs of specific businesses. In addition, the JPP will be responsible for working with job training providers and similar organizations in the District to facilitate referrals of their jobseekers and feedback from employers on their services.

Eligibility: Organizations that are eligible to apply for this grant include public or private organizations with demonstrated effectiveness in providing the requested services and meeting the employment needs of the target population, including:

- Non-profit, community-, or faith-based organizations;
- Trade associations or chambers of commerce;
- Private, for-profit service providers; or
- Labor unions or labor-management partnerships.

Length of Award: Grant awards will be for one (1) year, with an option for up to four (4) renewal years depending on grantee performance.

Available Funding: The amount available for this award is \$840,000.00

Anticipated Number of Awards: The WIC anticipates making one (1) award under this RFA.

The RFA will be released on Friday, July 19, 2013. The RFA will be posted on the District’s Grant Clearinghouse Website at <http://opgs.dc.gov/page/opgs-district-grants-clearinghouse>.

An informational meeting on the RFA will be held for all interested applicants; date and time will be included in the RFA.

For additional information, contact LaToyia Hampton, Grants Manager of the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, at Latoyia.hampton@dc.gov.

The deadline for submission is Monday, August 19, 2013 at 4:30 PM EST.